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LATEST RUHR MEASURES.

FRENCH GRAB MINES AND MONEY.

GERMANY'S WATCHWORD "HOLD OUT."

BERLIN, January 19.

The executive council of the Imperial Union of German Industries has decided to telegraph Herr Thyssen expressing "gratitude and pride at the mainly attitude of the Ruhr industrialists" and urging them to hold out. Doctor Buecher, acting Chairman declared that Germany's watchword must be to hold out under all circumstances and France must finally realise that M. Poincaré's policy was disastrous.

BERLIN, January 19.

The report that a mission is proceeding to London is officially denied.

BERLIN, January 19.

Messages from Essen state that the seizure of the State mines at Buer, Westerholt and Horstesmeyer began in the morning. French troops occupied all the important positions in the mines. Several mine-managers were arrested and taken to Dusseldorf.

BERLIN, January 19.

It is semi-officially announced that the Rhine-hight-commission to-day seized the deposits of the Reichsbank branches at Mayence, Wiesbaden, Worms, Bingen and Bonn and prohibited payment. The general embargo was subsequently removed but seizure of the deposits in the customs and finance offices was maintained.

PARIS, January 19.

M. Cachin has been arrested.

COLOGNE, January 19.

The inter-Allied Rhineland Commission has promulgated an ordinance for the seizure of the coal tax, revenues and customs receipts and certain pledges in connection with forest resources in the occupied territory. The British representative did not vote.

BERLIN, January 19.

A telegram from Bochum says the German Government has granted a first advance of a milliard marks as compensation for losses on the Ruhr.

ONE GOOD RESULT.

BERLIN, January 19.

Herr Cuno, in a manifesto to the Federal Government, says that the distress of the vast majority of the population is intensified by the Franco-Belgian invasion. All authorities must very energetically combat gluttony, luxury and the abuse of alcohol, immediately prohibit the sale of drink to youths, rigorously punish drunkenness, introduce early closing and withdraw licences from taverns, dancing halls etc.

MINE WORKERS' PROTEST.

ESSEN, January 19.

When the French seized the State mine at Bergmannsglück Westerholt the mine official refused to accede to the demand for the despatch of coal to a particular destination whereupon the manager was arrested and the others were ordered to remain in their offices day and night. Similar incidents occurred at Recklinghausen and Buer. The overhead workers later ceased the production of coke and demanded the release of the imprisoned officials and the withdrawal of the troops, threatening to down tools. The Workers' Council threatened similar action at Buer, the most important centre for generating electricity for all the State miners.

WHAT ITALY THINKS.

LONDON, January 19.

The Italian Government has informed the Franco-British Governments that Italy regards the present situation on the Ruhr as fraught with great danger and suggested that further forcible steps should only be taken after mature consideration.

MUI-TSAI BILL.

CHINESE LABOUR MIGRATION.

SUPPORT FOR MEASURE.

Over three hundred delegates representing 154 unions were present at a meeting of Chinese labour held in the Y.M.C.A. auditorium yesterday, to discuss the *mu-tsa* Bill.

There were about ten speakers, all in favour of the Bill, giving assurances for the abolition of *mu-tsa*, what has already been advanced by the *Keifeng* (street committee) and Anti-*mu-tsa* Society meetings. A Chinese lady also spoke on the Bill at the same time exhorting women to eliminate distinction among their own sex and to strive equality with men.

Mr. So Shiu-ki, President of the Seamen's Union was elected to the *mu-tsa* committee. Among the arguments used

in favour of the passing of the Bill was the one that the girls formed a fairly large proportion of China's population; a *mu-tsa* could not, like a labourer, resign and seek another master; she could expect no redress for her grievances and cases were not infrequent when they were forced to become concubines of men 70 or 80 years of age. Mention was made of the work done by the Anti-*mu-tsa* Society and the *Mui-Tsa* Protection Society and the resolution passed at the Tung Wah Hospital meeting.

Mr. Yung Sin-chun, a representative of the Anti-*mu-tsa* Society reviewed the movement to abolish *mu-tsa* and mentioned that an ill-treated girl had very little chance to vindicate her grievances. If she was locked in a room as the Chinese have

no inclination to meddle in other people's affairs.

Other delegates went on to speak very few public. It was the women's meeting and carried unanimously.

A committee was appointed for the

purposes of collecting and reporting any amendments to the Bill that may

be in order.

The meeting then concluded.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/3 5/16.

To-day's opening rate 2/3 5/16.

WASHINGTON TREATY.

FRENCH RATIFICATION EXPECTED.

LONDON, January 19.

The *Morning Post*'s Paris correspondent says there appear to be good prospects that the French parliament will ratify the whole of the Washington treaty with reservations, which are not expected to be important, in regard to France's right to protect her coasts and ensure communications with her colonies by means other than capital ships also in regard to the definition of merchantmen in wartime and certain unimportant clauses of the agreement relating to China. It is hoped that the agreements will be ratified by February 15.

Reuter understands that the French Government has declined to agree to M. Herriot's proposal mentioned on October 15, consequently there is at present no expectation of the resumption of Franco-Russian trade.

M.C.C. IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

DURBAN, January 19.

In fine weather before 7,000 spectators on an easy wicket England made 228. They continued cautiously this morning and at lunch time had made 295/6. The crowd backed Mead and Mann who added 154 for the sixteenth wicket. Mann contributed 84, including two sixers and ten fours and Mead made 161 in 500 minutes. He hit thirteen fours and gave two chances. He exhibited monumental patience and his imperturbable defence in the circumstances was the most correct tactics. The bowling was uniformly good. Hall was the best with 4 on 103. The fielding was mostly excellent. South Africa have made 70 without loss of a wicket.

GERMANY ARRESTED.

INTERNATIONAL COURT APPLICATION.

THE HAGUE, January 19.

The first example in history of sovereign states arraiging a sovereign state before the International Court has occurred in connection with the application filed by Britain, France, Italy and Japan against Germany concerning the latter's refusal to permit a British vessel to have free access in the Kiel canal in 1921 in accordance with the Peace Treaty.

RUSSIAN CLASH WITH POLES.

LONDON, January 19.

Telegrams from Stockholm assert that the Russian revolutionary war council has declared the Smolensk district to be in a state of war. Troops have been moved to the South west and trains requisitioned for transport. Fortifications have been built in the Dvina district and pontoons placed on the river. Reconnaissances are being made in the direction of Braslaff which is occupied by the Poles.

NEW TELEGRAPHIC SYSTEM.

PARIS, January 19.

The French telegraph service is experimenting with Bell's system of telegraphic and wireless transmission of photographs and handwriting. It is hoped that this system may be useful in the transmission of ideographs obviating the translation of Chinese, Japanese and Roman characters.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

PARIS, January 19.

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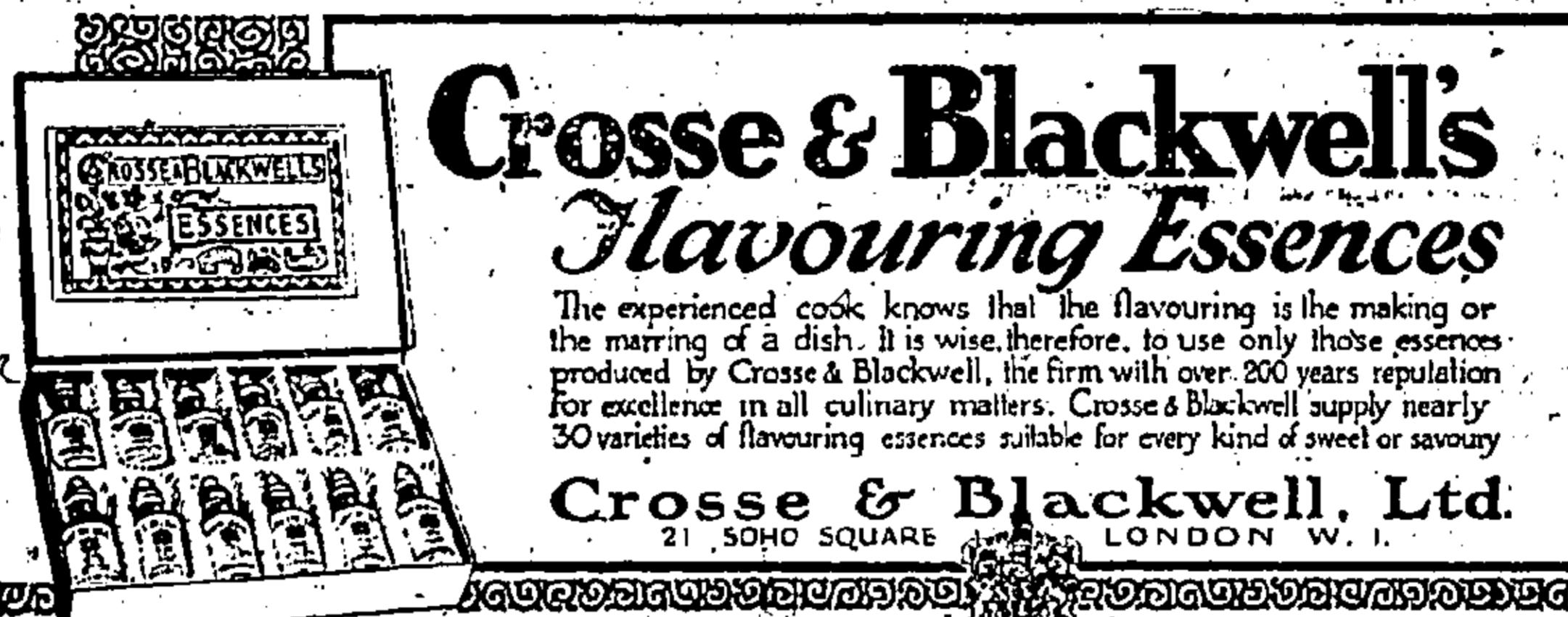
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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JAN. 10, 1925.

The Sirs never called a Ulysses more insistently than the lapping, laughing of waves were calling me low. Gracefully I saw the bows of sea, the vessel rise and plunge into the long, green roller, scattering its foaming crest into a shower of spray. Then down, down—down! felt her surge and held my breath in fearful ecstasy until the next great wave sent her quivering upwards. Greedily I drank in the keen, fresh air while the salt spray stung my face and the wind made rough waves among my hair. What joy, what delight! Hongkong, the crowded, populous city for away oysters and the great, open sea calling me—calling me insistently, clamantly, irresistibly. What bounding joy, what supreme delight! And then that damned telephone bell rang.

This song, doubtless, has lost much of its savor, sweet much of its charm for some people here—those who have long since succumbed to the happy, muskus spirit of the East and what Conrad calls the comfortable feeling of being white. Still, "Home Sweet Home" can yet for many people make the heart glow and the memory kindle. Here in Hongkong, however, the song is perhaps now not so much sung as thought. This (of all places) has a concrete remainder of the song—a stained glass church window to the memory of Payne, the author who was sometime "exiled" there. This window bears the text: "The Lord hath brought me home." A clergyman who visited Tunis in the course of his travels thought the text an excellent

one for his first sermon when he rejoined his Home flock again. Accordingly he prepared the sermon, but he omitted to verify the text until the morning he was to preach. Then he found the real text to read: "The Lord hath brought me home again empty."

An Italian, whose fruit-barrow stood in a crowded street, grew annoyed

BEFORE? at the way people continually handled his wares, pinching and making them.

After a while he put a notice up on a large card: "If you must pinch da fruit, pinch da coco-nut."

The Home decision to destroy the war tribunal records naturally suggests the question what has happened to our own Hongkong records. They will presumably lie in the official archives until some remote age when a bright young cadet looking for the harbour scheme papers will stumble upon them and while away an hour—the tiffin hour, of course—glancing over their pages. That his prematurely solemn face (they become serious early in the Government service) but once into a smile, however superior, then have the records been preserved not in vain.

London's cenotaph, that war "monument of simple

MEMORIAL and austere beauty," LINES. has its inscription, and

Hongkong's memorial will doubtless in due course also have its graven legend. Unless it has already been decided to copy the Home inscription it would be a gracious thing to invite suggested lines. This thought has been inspired by Chesterton's "For a War Memorial," the last verse of which reads:

"Still to the last of crumbling time
Upon this stone be read
How many men of England died
To prove they were not dead."

The Great Western

Railway Company is

NOTING.

England has issued a

little book of "economy

hints" to its employers. I pass a few

of the hints along to Mr. Winslow

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Pens.—If pen points are wiped before being laid down they will last much longer.

Pins.—Keep in containers. If allowed to lie about on a desk they are likely to be swept away by a duster.

Soap.—Bars of soap should be cut into pieces of serviceable size and allowed to dry before use. This makes the soap last longer.

"Have you read the now latest book by?" And AT then they will hesitate, LAST, beginning again: "Have you read the latest book by William Le Queux?"

"I am not William Le Queux." "Or William Le Quex?"

"We give you the cue, So no longer perplex, It is William Le Quex, Not William Le Quex."

The happy father of triplets was explaining to a friend that he could only account for it by the fact that his wife had been to the film version of "The Three Musketeers" at the Coronet recently. "Good Heaven!" replied the friend, with a horrified look "my wife came back from home the other day and she was telling me just before she left London she went to see 'The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse'!"

How will the future historian write down the twentieth century? Will he find the tale of its woes outweighing the tale of its wealth? Will he declare the sum of its failures overshadowing the sum of its successes? It is interesting to speculate upon posterity's verdict, the more especially as we ourselves now occupy the judgment seat and review the centuries that have already passed.

THE WORLD'S GREATEST AGE.

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COMPANY REPORTS.
THE HONGKONG CENTRAL
ESTATE, LIMITED.

Report of the board of Directors to be presented at the 9th Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders to be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. at 11.45 o'clock a.m. on Friday, January 20, 1923.

Gentlemen.—The Directors have now to submit to you a General Statement of the affairs of the Company and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1922. The net profits for the year amount to \$160,298.72, with which the amount brought forward from last year \$180,862.07 gives an amount available for division of \$341,160.79. From this amount an Interim Dividend of \$4.00 per share has already been paid. It is now proposed to pay a Final Dividend of \$6.00 per share making a total dividend of \$10.00 per share and to carry forward the balance \$241,160.79 to the credit of a new Profit and Loss Account.

Directors.—During the absence on leave of Mr. S. S. Perry, Mr. A. M. Bowes-Sinith was appointed to the Board. Mr. S. S. Perry having resigned Mr. A. H. Compton has been invited to fill the vacancy. Both these appointments now require confirmation. Hon. Sir. C. P. Chater now retires by rotation, and being eligible offers himself for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. Percy Smith and C. Bernard Brown who now retire and offer themselves for re-election.

THE HONGKONG LAND
RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

Following is the report of the board of directors to be presented at the 21st general meeting of shareholders of the above Company to be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. at noon, on Friday January 20, 1923.

Gentlemen.—The Directors have now to submit to you a General Statement of the affairs of the Company and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1922. The net profits for the year, after writing off all Directors' and Auditors' fees amount of \$959,124.79, which with \$654,478.78 brought forward from last account gives an amount available for distribution of \$1,613,603.67. It is now proposed to pay a dividend of 7% on the paid up

Capital \$ 65,625.00
A Bonus of \$116.00 per share 1,275,800.00
And to carry forward the Balance 172,978.57
\$ 1,613,603.57

Directors.—Messrs. A. S. Gubay and S. S. Perry having resigned Mr. Hector Sason and Mr. A. H. Compton were invited to fill the vacancies. These appointments now require confirmation.

Mr. Hector Sason and Mr. A. H. Compton now retire by rotation and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. Percy Smith and C. Bernard Brown who now retire and are recommended for re-election.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

Report of the board of Directors to be presented at the 34th ordinary meeting of shareholders to be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company Limited at 12.15 p.m. on Friday, January 20, 1923.

Gentlemen.—The Directors have now to submit to you a General Statement of the affairs of the Company and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1922. The Net Profits for the year, after writing off all Directors' and Auditors' fees amount to \$2,212,839.08 which with the amount brought forward from last year \$1,926,861.41 gives an amount available for division of \$4,139,700.49. From this amount an Interim Dividend of \$4.00 per share (\$200,000.00) has already been paid leaving a balance of \$3,939,700.49 available for appropriation which it is proposed to deal with as follows:

To pay a Final Dividend of \$6.00 per share \$ 300,000.00
To pay a Bonus of \$6.00 per share 400,000.00
To pay a Bonus to Staff 8,000.00
To carry forward to a new Profit and Loss Account 3,231,700.49
63,939,700.49

Directors.—Messrs. A. S. Gubay and S. S. Perry having resigned Mr. Hector Sason and Mr. A. H. Compton were invited to fill the vacancies. These appointments now require confirmation.

Messrs. Hector Sason and Mr. A. H. Compton now retire by rotation and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. Percy Smith and C. Bernard Brown who now retire and offer themselves for re-election.

COMPANY REPORT.
CHINA PROVIDENT'S
DIVIDEND.

The consulting committee and general managers of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co. Ltd. will, at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders to be held on February 10th recommend, subject to audit, the following allocation of profits:—

A dividend of 12½% or

\$1.25 per share \$ 212,500.00

To place to reserve fund 20,000.00

To place to equalization of dividend fund 26,000.00

To pay a bonus to staff 1,033.00

Carry forward 2,032.74

\$ 263,155.74

HAPPY VALLEY ACCIDENT.

MISS RODGER'S INJURY
NOT SO SERIOUS.

Miss Jessie Rodger was the victim of a distressing accident at the golf links at Happy Valley yesterday morning. She was coming up the course and had just left the fourth tee, when she was struck in the right eye by a ball driven from the seventh tee by a gentleman player. Miss Rodger was hit with considerable force and was badly injured. She was taken by friends in a motor car to Dr. Harston's office where the injury was examined and it was ascertained that the cheek bone had been fractured and the right eye injured. Miss Rodger afterwards entered the French Hospital.

On enquiry at the hospital this morning, it was learned that Miss Rodger was much better, and that her injury was not so serious as was at first feared. There was no danger of the sight of the right eye being affected. The injury however, requires very careful attention and Miss Rodger will be detained for a few days at the hospital.

ARMED ROBBERS.

RICKSHAS STOPPED AND
FARES ROBBED.

At about 7 p.m. yesterday, a subcontractor living at Wanchai was proceeding with a *fok* from Kowloon City to Yau Ma Tei on the old road. Nearing the junction of Yau Ma Tei and Matauk Road he was set upon by three men who sprang on him from the roadside. They stole from him a felt hat worth 60 cents and \$3. The *fok* lost \$3.50.

Another highway robbery on the mainland occurred on the 11th, but was not reported until yesterday.

Mrs. Toppin, living at No. 7, Prince Avenue, Wan Chai, was with an amah and a "boy" in rickshaws near the junction of the Yau Ma Tei and Kowloon City Roads. She was suddenly stopped by three armed men who took from her a gold ring. The amah was taken up the adjoining hillside by one of the robbers and dive off her jacket, a pair of gold rings and \$3.00. At this stage three men came from the other direction and the robbers took to their heels in the direction of No. 3 Railway Bridge.

FRAWLEY COMPANY.

OPENING PERFORMANCE THIS
AFTERNOON.

The T. Daniel Frawley company arrived in Hongkong to day from Manila on the ss. "Empress of Russia" and will open this afternoon at the Theatre Royal in "The First Year," a comedy of first year married life.

Tonight the entire company, including Adela Blood and Mr. Frawley, will appear in "The Cat and the Canary," regarded as one of the best mystery plays of the last ten years.

Arriving to day on the "Empress" were Miss Blood, Mr. Frawley, Henry E. Dougherty, Bernard Nodell, Betty Barnicot, Doris Kemper, Alton MacCluskey, Helen Barres, Florence Roberts, Herbert Light, Gordon Davis, Lester Sybe, Mary Adams, Ernest Bowman and M. Revilla.

"We are delighted to be in Hong Kong," said Miss Blood. "I am sure our engagement here will be a pleasant one. Certainly we are going to give Hongkong theatre patrons the best we have."

Mr. Frawley also expressed himself as being glad to get back to the city that has patronized his performances for many years past.

On Monday night the company will present "The Gold Diggers," instead of "Smilin' Through," as originally announced, in order that "Enter Madame" may be given on Tuesday night. Both plays are rippling comedies.

THE BIG OPIUM HAUL.
ACCUSED BEFORE POLICE
COURT.

The two men and a woman arrested in connection with the big opium seizure on an island near Capricornus were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy this morning on two counts, namely:—

— Possession of three rifles, two pistols, 887 rounds of ammunition and 63 clips without a permit and smuggling raw opium into the Colony.

Mr. T. H. King, D.S.P., prosecuted and asked for a remand until Tuesday.

This was granted.

The defendants stated that they were in the junk fishing.

FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S KOWLOON TEAMS.

The following have been selected to represent Kowloon in both Divisions on Saturday. Shield Draw and Len Guo points as well.

Club v. Kowloon at Shookimpoo: Woodman, Wheeler, Knight, Morris, King, McElvie, Clemo, Hall, Scully, A. Duncan Mason.

Reserves:—Pace, Millard.

2nd. Division South China B. v. Kowloon at Happy Valley:—Young, Rundall, G. Duncan Hawkins, Oliver, Riemersch, Hart, Ferguson, Spry, Blagden, Muir.

Reserves:—Hooper, Johns, and Storekeepers.

PEKING POLITICS.

PEKING, Jan. 20.

It is officially stated that a mandate is being issued dismissing Li Hou Chi and appointing Sab Cheng Pinc Tschub of Fukien with General Wang Yung Chuan as assistant Director of Military Affairs. —Reuter.

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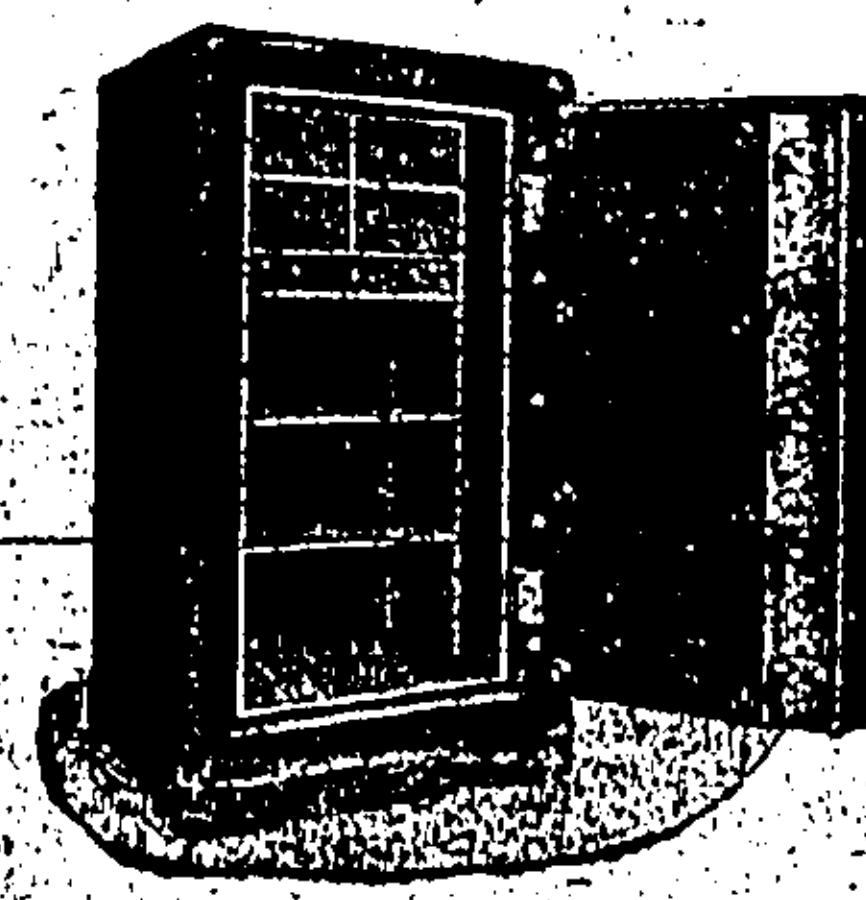
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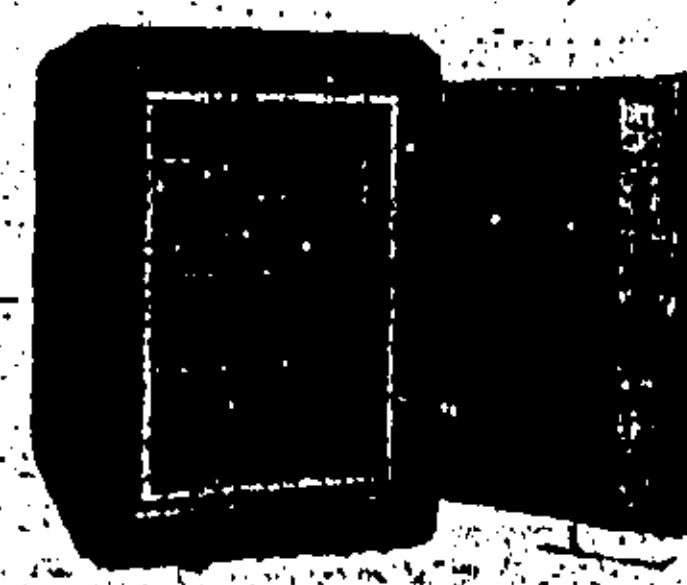
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Vaccination Question.

The appearance of women in the London streets with the red badge of vaccination round their ankle is a reminder that over 200 years ago, when the Greeks practised "injuring" against smallpox, women were commonly done on the leg, says the *Daily Chronicle*. Lady Mary Wortley, writing from Adrianople in 1717, describes the process for which parties were made up. The operator was an old woman who, bringing with her a "nutshell full of matter of the best sort for smallpox," attended to the victims apparently more or less in mass, asking "what vein you please to have opened." She immediately rips open that on offer to her with a large needle—and puts

into the vein as much matter as can lie on the head of the needle." Doubtless in leg vaccination earlier femininity was actuated by the same motive as women of to-day—the preservation unclothed of pretty arms.

Synthetic Sugar.

Synthetic sugar is not yet a marketable commodity or commercial proposition, but Professor E. Baly, who, with his colleagues, Professors Heilbron and Barker, conducted the research work of Liverpool University which led to its discovery, told a *Daily News* representative that it opened a fascinating field for research which might lead no one knows where. It might some day be possible, through the sun's rays to turn formaldehyde into sugar in a form which would make it of commercial value. So far the experimenters have succeeded in producing glucose in a syrup form. The difficulty is that the rays of light which produce sugar from the formaldehyde decompose it almost as quickly as they produce it. If therefore, it were possible to shut off the rays which actually produce the sugar immediately their function had been performed, synthetic sugar might begin to wear the aspect of a commercial proposition. That is the task which awaits investigation.

Treatment of Diabetes.

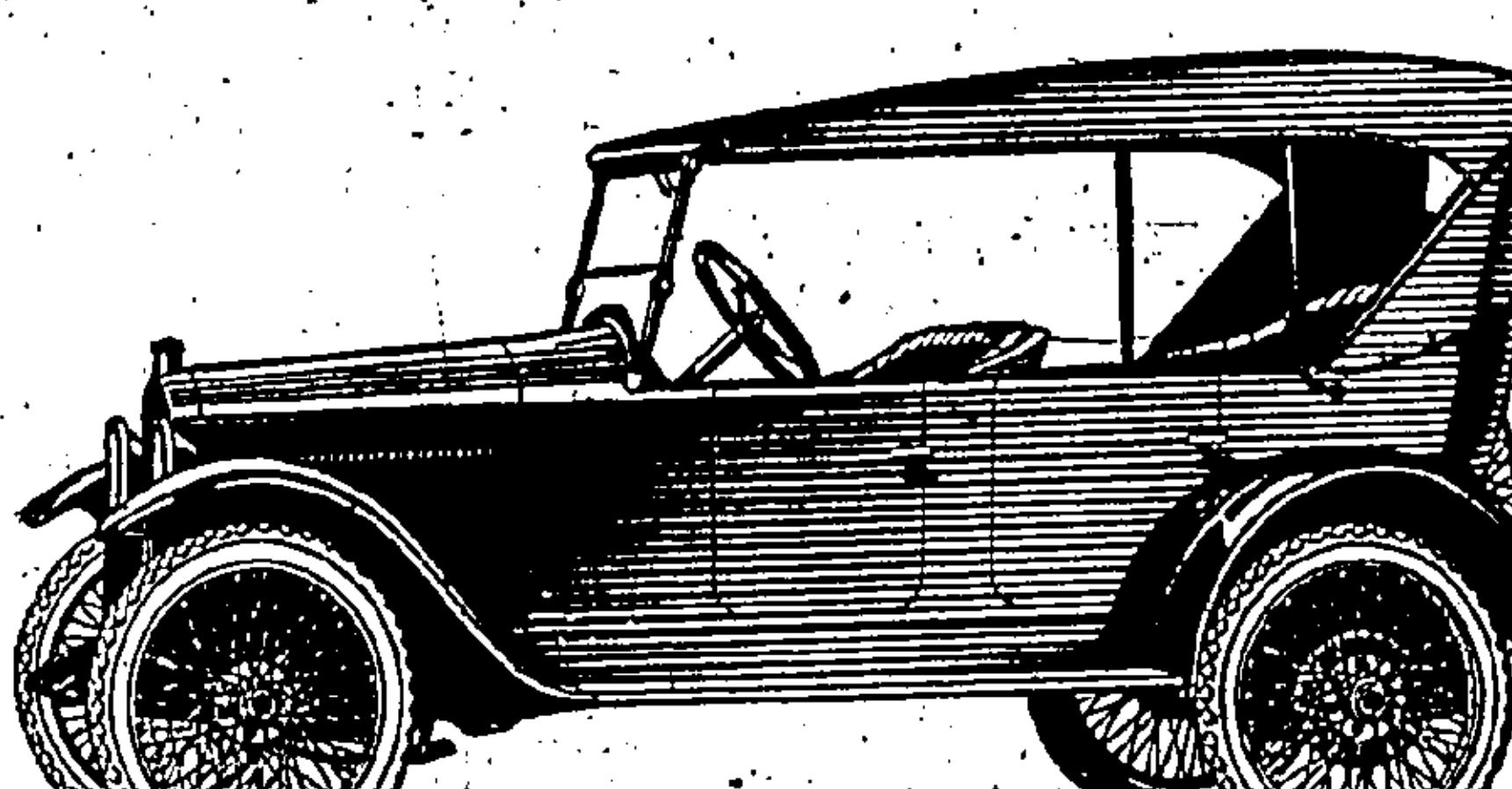
Sir Charles Sherrington, presiding at the 260th meeting of the Royal Society in London, said gratifying success had already attended the use of "insulin" in the relief of diabetic patients. "Insulin" is a preparation of an extract from the pancreas of oxen, sheep, or pigs, recently discovered during research work at Toronto. Dealing with this work, Sir Charles Sherrington said the Medical Research Council had undertaken the preparation of the extract and of the further determination of its properties. The inference had long been that the pancreas provided some substance enabling the body to make use of sugar—some substance, in fact, that should control certain forms of diabetes. At Toronto they seemed to have secured the extraction of that substance. Much further research work, however, was needed for the development of methods of extraction and of the routine use of the active principle.

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Beirut, in Syria, is to have an Aero Club.

Mr. Eric Thorne, the comedian, died in a nursing home at Kensington, W., after a long illness, at the age of 60.

Letters patent have been issued establishing a High Court of Judicature for the Province of Burma at Rangoon.

A large owl—which took refuge in the White Star liner "Homeric" in mid-Atlantic last week has been presented to the London Zoo.

Lord Shattock unveiled a tablet in the Hoxton Market Mission, North London, to the memory of Sir John Kirk, the children's friend.

A one-armed motor mechanic, Henry Aiken, was fined £1 at Brighton for driving a motor car at 35 miles an hour in Lewes-road, a busy street.

Mr. Walter Baker Clode, K.C., has been appointed president of the Railway Rates Tribunal, in succession to the late Sir Francis Gore Browne, K.C.

The cost of the British Army of the Rhine since the armistice is £54,668,000, says Colonel Guineas. It numbers 552 officers and 8,138 other ranks.

By 11 votes to 9 Bermondsey Guardians, S.E., decided to install a wireless apparatus at the boys' school at Shirley, Croydon, at a cost of £27 16s.

Lord Rosebery has restored to Manfield Parish Church, Fochabers, a Communion cup, made in 1638, which came into his possession some time ago.

Twirling round and round in pretending to dance a two-year-old girl became dizzy and fell off the pavement under a trolley at Burton-on-Trent and was killed.

Mr. and Mrs. Alderton, 70 and 67 respectively, were rescued by a fire-escape when the house in Ashmount-road, Tottenham, N., in which they were sleeping caught fire.

It is reported in Ottawa that gold-bearing quartz has been discovered 60 miles up the South Nahanni, a tributary of the Mackenzie River, and 100 claims are said to have been taken.

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The General Medical Council ordered the names of Dr. William Young, of Liverpool, Usworth, Durham, and Dr. Sodin, Firth, of Grantham, to be struck off the register for unprofessional conduct.

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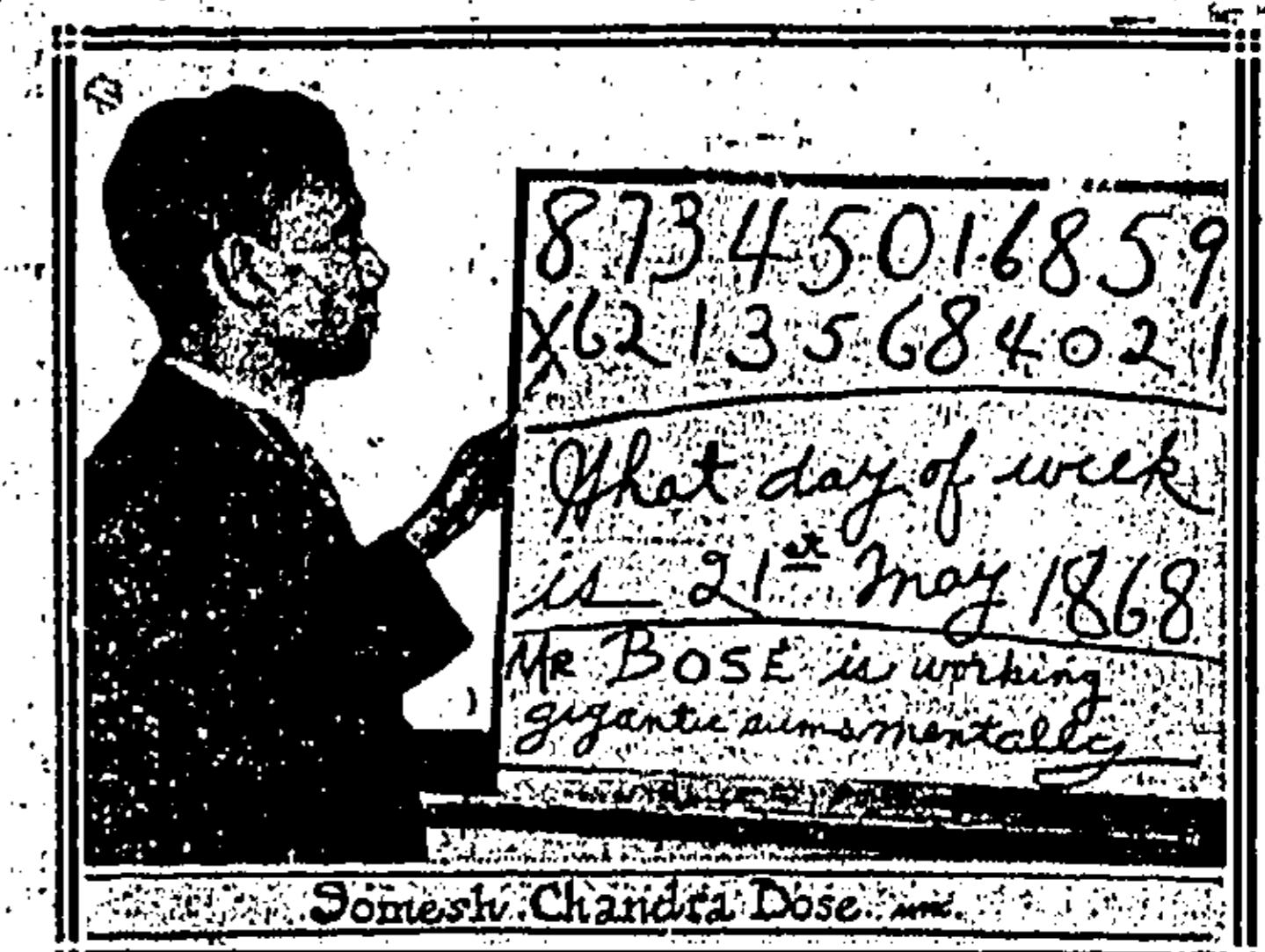
Rumour is busy with the reported engagement of Charlie Chaplin and Pola Negri, famous European screen star, who is making pictures in America. Neither will affirm or deny the story.



When A. B. See, millionaire President of the A. B. See Elevator Company, replied to a request for funds to help erect new buildings at Adelphi College, Brooklyn, he brought a hornet's nest down on himself. Mr. See, who left school at thirteen, declared women's colleges ought to be burned, so women could learn some common sense. "He's the kind of a man who would make his daughter wear woolen shoes!" was the sarcastic comment of Phyllis Cohen, an Adelphi student.



Miss Nellie Leach, Australian newspaper writer who is going to Russia, to make a first-hand study of the Soviet system.



Somesh Chandra Bose, of Bengal, India, is regarded as one of the world's greatest mental calculators. When only eight he could multiply 14 digits by 14 digits mentally. Now, at twenty-eight, he multiplies 60 digits by as many more, keeping 3,000 figures in his mind, each in their respective order. He mentally calculates extractions, square roots and cube roots and is able to name the day of the week on any date 500 years past, or 500 years in the future.



De Wayne Francis fears she is under the "evil eye." Two husbands she has divorced. A third has disappeared, and now, in her Los Angeles home, the fourth has killed himself.



Many new faces were seen at the opening of the special session of the Congress. Senator Thomas W. F. Bayard took his seat from Delaware. Senator Smith W. Brookhart was sworn in from Iowa and Senator W. F. George from Georgia, succeeding Senator Mrs. W. H. Kelton, who sat for a day, as the only woman ever in that body. Senator David S. Reed, of Pennsylvania, who was sworn in shortly before the close of the last Congress, was also present. Mrs. Winifred Mason Huck, of Chicago, succeeded her deceased father as Congressman-at-Large from Illinois.



This Spreewald (Germany) woman has just buried her husband, and, according to custom, she wears white mourning garb, fashioned like a sack.



When Mrs. Yvonne Willmot, a war bride, confided to her husband that Paul Peter, a neighbour, had promised her "fin clothes, love and a home of Egyptian splendour," Scott Willmot went to Peter's home and firing through a door, shot him down.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
FRANCO GERMAN SITUATION.LONDON, January 18th.
The Times correspondent at Essen learns that a confidential German mission has departed from Berlin for England for the purpose of requesting British intervention in the Ruhr crisis.PARIS, January 18th.
Reports from Essen state that the diversion of coal and coke consignments to France continued yesterday without incident. The Allied technical mission has despatched a formal requisition to the managers of the State mines, who have to commence carrying out the requisition to-day, otherwise they will be subjected to economic measures.BERLIN, January 18th.
Advice received from Dusseldorf state that the French have arrested Dr. Schmitz, President of the State Finance Department, for refusing to hand over the records of his office to the French occupation officials.

DEBTS FUNDING.

LONDON, January 18th.
It is reported that the Anglo-American differences in regard to debt funding have been narrowed down to about £5,000,000 yearly, spread over sixty years.

Great Britain is at present paying America interest at the rate of 5 per cent. America has proposed 3 per cent for the first decade and thereafter 3½ per cent, with 1 per cent sinking fund.

Great Britain proposed 3 per cent for the whole period, and 1 per cent sinking fund.

According to the Westminster Gazette's political correspondent, if Mr. Baldwin were given a free hand an arrangement would soon be reached, but some members of the British Cabinet think that better terms can be obtained.

WASHINGTON, January 18th.
It is announced that on the conclusion of the joint session of the British and American Debt Funding Commissioners, that negotiations will be conducted through the British Embassy, after Mr. Baldwin's return to London.

The American Commissioners declare that nothing should stand in the way of a complete understanding. They state there is reason to hope that an arrangement in principle will be reached in time for submission to the present session of Congress.

ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCEMENT.

LONDON, January 18th.
The Admiralty announces that colonial allowances to Naval officers will be made subject to a special examination.

SIR JOHN IN PRACTICE.

LONDON, December 18th.
Sir John Jordan, interviewed on his return from attending the meetings of the League of Nations Opium Commission at Geneva, said that the chief subject discussed was the advisability of a boycott of opium produced by Persia and Turkey if those countries still refused to conform to the Hague Opium Convention.

Sir John added that great diversity of opinion was expressed. Some thought such action would only result in the increase of opium production in India, and extensive smuggling from Turkey and Persia. The representative of India suggested that opium should be sold at a fixed price, to prevent a great rise, which would make smuggling profitable. The consideration of the matter, finally, was postponed, but Turkey subsequently intimated her intention of entering the League, which would involve signing the Convention, while Persia also intimated her intention to withdraw the reservation she had hitherto made. Sir John Jordan's view was that, when Turkey, Persia and India come in together, it should be possible materially to reduce the world production of opium. There had been no evidence of reduction since the Hague Convention, although there had been local improvements. After referring to the very bad and marked recrudescence of opium production in China, Sir John Jordan expressed disappointment that, although British, American and Chinese delegates strongly pressed for the holding of at least one public meeting of the Commission on this subject, the proposal was rejected.

LONDON, January 19th.
The Chinese Charge d'Affairs, Chao Hsin Chu, who has just returned from Geneva, states that he told the League of Nations Opium Commission that the Chinese Government had appointed Commissioners to investigate poppy cultivation in association with representatives of the International Anti-Opium Association, during the coming season, in accordance with the resolution passed at the third assembly of the League. Morphine smuggling into China would be checked as strictly as possible. He thought one-third of the present total production of opium quite sufficient for legitimate uses of the whole world. Mr. Chao Hsin Chu questioned why opium-smoking was still permitted in Foreign Concessions of the Far East.

CHINA STATION NAVAL ORDERS.

LONDON, January 18th.
Orders have been issued to the light cruiser *Castile* to pay off and recommission at Bombay early in February with a Portsmouth crew, for further service on the China Station. The relief crew is being sent out.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS.

PEKING, January 18th.
It is unofficially stated that a mandate is about to be issued dismissing Lo Hou Chi, and appointing Sab Chen Ping, Tschien of Fukien, with General Wang Yung Chuan as assistant director of military affairs.

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